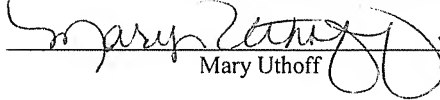


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**RESPONSE TO NONFINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2007, Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks. In addition, Applicant requests a three-month extension of time to extend the period for filing this response to January 27, 2008. It is believed that no fees, in addition to the fee for the extension of time, are associated with the filing and consideration of this response. **Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension of time fee and any and all additional fees incurred as a result of entering this response to deposit account number 03-0172.**